

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

JASON COLEMAN and JESSICA CASEY,
on behalf of the RVNB Holdings, Inc.
Employee Stock Ownership Plan, and on
behalf of a class of all other persons similarly
situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

NEIL M. BROZEN, ROBERT PETERSON,
JR., VASILIA PETERSON, MIKE PAXTON,
NICK BOURAS, STERLING INVESTMENT
PARTNERS III, L.P., NICOLE PETERSON
2012 IRREVOCABLE TRUST, and BROOKE
PETERSON 2012 IRREVOCABLE TRUST,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:20-cv-01358-E

**PLAINTIFFS' EIGHTH NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY
IN FURTHER SUPPORT OF THEIR OPPOSITION TO
DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO COMPEL INDIVIDUAL ARBITRATION**

Plaintiffs Jason Coleman and Jessica Casey ("Plaintiffs"), on behalf of the RVNB Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the "Plan"), file this eighth notice of supplemental authority related to *Defendants' Motion to Compel Individual Arbitration* (ECF No. 66).

Plaintiffs briefed their opposition to the pending motion to compel arbitration on July 13, 2020 (ECF No. 70), and later filed seven notices of supplemental authority. (ECF Nos. 74, 78, 83, 89, 93, 97, 112).

On February 9, 2023, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals entered an opinion in *Harrison v. Envision Management Holding, Inc. Board of Directors*, 2023 U.S. App. LEXIS 3144, 2023 WL 1830446, No. 22-1098 (10th Cir. Feb. 9, 2023). *See* Exhibit 1. *Harrison* addressed ERISA

claims and an arbitration clause materially identical to those at issue in this case. In affirming the district court's denial of the motion to compel arbitration, the Tenth Circuit held that "the arbitration provisions of the Plan Document effectively prevent Harrison from vindicating many of the statutory remedies that he seeks in his complaint under ERISA § 502(a)(2)." 2023 WL 1830446, at *7. This included not only plan-wide equitable relief, but also an order to "restore all the losses resulting from the fiduciary breaches and to disgorge all profits made through use of assets of the ESOP." *Id.* at *8. Because Mr. Harrison was entitled to seek these remedies "pursuant to § 1132(a)(2)," *id.* at *11, but the arbitration clause "foreclose[d] any such plan-wide relief," *id.* at *12, the clause was invalid.

The Tenth Circuit's reasoning applies with equal force here. This Court should accordingly deny *Defendants' Motion to Compel Individual Arbitration*.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on February 13, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send electronic notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

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